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Title: RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING DATA STRUCTURE
FOR MANAGING REPRODUCTION OF AT LEAST VIDEO
DATA RECORDED THEREON AND RECORDING AND
REPRODUCING METHODS AND APPARATUSES

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Sir:

In response to the telephonic interview conducted on October 29, 2009 and the Interview Summary dated November 9, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

During the interview, Applicants discussed the rejection to claims 1, 19-22, and 27-28 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kato (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0145702, hereinafter “Kato”) in view of De Haan (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2009/0180757, hereinafter “De Haan”) and further in view of Hamada (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2008-0253742, hereinafter “Hamada”). For example, Applicants argued that Hamada does not disclose or suggest “wherein the stream file, the clip information file, the playlist file, and the navigation file are separate and have different file extensions from each other” as required by claim 1 because Hamada does

not disclose a navigation file. In response, the Examiner seemed persuaded by these arguments.

In addition, Applicants argued that De Haan fails to disclose or suggest “a navigation area storing a navigation file including a path item, the path item including a **first navigation command for launching the playlist file to reproduce** and a second navigation command for proceeding to a next path item” of claim 1 because the “pre-command” of De Haan only pulls up a menu. The menu of De Haan is not a playlist file. In response, the Mr. Tran (the Examiner’s Supervisor) recommended that Applicants amend the independent claims to recite a first navigation command for launching a single playlist file to overcome the De Haan reference. Without conceding to the Examiner’s current position, Applicants have amended the independent claims in the November 9, 2009 Amendment to recite “a single playlist file” instead of “the playlist file” as suggested by Mr. Tran.